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it meets, it will shake her to her centre, & what it
does not kill of the opposition, will be driven
into its holes.

Weld did nobly at Wbia. Labeled 16 times. Between
600 & 700 had already joined the Society of new members
before we left, a majority of whom are men. No
special effort was made to obtain names. Alvan
Hazard thinks they will get two or three hundred
more immediately. About 1200 signed the petition
to Congress while Weld was there; a majority of them
men, - & constituting a majority of the legal
voters of the City. So much for the Wbia mob.
I am satisfied that we greatly miss it by skimming
the surface with two or three lectures. We ought to
have tackled the matter.

Your wife & mother,
give them my kindest
regards as well as "little
Freddy."

Yours truly
Henry B. Stanton

time. By spending a month in recruiting, sharpening my
arms & replenishing my stock of ammunition, I
shall be able to accomplish vastly more in the
succeeding 6 months than though I had
continued to labor in the old harness without
cessation.

As to Connecticut, - State Society &c. The Committee
were convinced that we should be unable to organize
the State Society before the Anniversary. That was my
opinion too. We could not have had brother
Gordell. He is going to ~~commence~~ edit the
Abolition paper at Ntica. I do not think
it best to be in a hurry in organizing that State.
Let us lecture there long enough to give them an
efficient organization, - one that will immediately
set about converting the State, - that will not be
dependant upon the Parent Society for pecuniary ^{means},
to employ 3 or 4 good agents (for old Connecticut
ought to have as many for ten years) but rather
would give to that Society two or three thousand
dollars. Let us strive to put Connecticut on
high ground before we call her Convention, so that when

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Dear brother Phelps, You will see by the date that I am in

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Rochester. I arrived here last night, in company with brother Wells from Utica. I expect to remain here about 10 days or two weeks & then repair to Connecticut & commence labor under your direction. The Committee in New York, at my suggestion, directed me to visit bro. Wells at Utica, & go over some parts of this subject with him, especially the Bible department. When I arrived at Utica, I found he had just completed his course, & was about to leave for this place. I could not detain him there without prejudicing obstructing his arrangements, & so I came on with him. When he will commence a course ^{here} is a little uncertain, as there ~~are~~ ^{are two} ~~xx~~ [&] protracted meetings ^{are} now in progress ^{here}. It is possible he may go to Buffalo or Auburn first, labor there, & then return here. I shall not expect to hear his course, but merely look over his facts, glance at his general mode of treating the subject in its several departments, investigate the Bible ground pretty thoroughly, in private. You may be assured this will not be lost